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## **HOUSE VOTE ON JORDAN AMENDMENT TO CUT SPENDING MAY BE SCORED AS A KEY VOTE**

ALEXANDRIA, VA – **Citizens for the Republic Executive Vice President Bill Pascoe** – anticipating a House vote later today on Amendment number 104 to the H.R. 1, offered by U.S. Rep. Jim Jordan on behalf of the Republican Study Committee – today urged every Member of the House to support the amendment and declared that the vote may be rated as a Key Vote in the 2011 CFTR Annual Scorecard of Congress.

“H.R. 1 as introduced was a good first step down the road back to fiscal sanity, but a better second step would be the inclusion of the Jordan Amendment, to move domestic non-security discretionary spending all the way back to the pre-bailout, pre-stimulus levels found in the budget for Fiscal Year 2008,” said Pascoe.

“More importantly, it would require Republicans to live up to their campaign promise to cut \$100 billion in domestic non-security discretionary spending,” Pascoe continued. “If Republicans want continued support from the tens of millions of Americans who gave them their vote last November, they need to show their promises translated into deeds. The Jordan Amendment gives them an opportunity to show they are as good as their word.

“Domestic discretionary spending has exploded under Barack Obama – it’s up 84 percent since 2008,” said Pascoe. “His proposed five-year spending freeze at current levels is a joke that does nothing more than lock in ridiculously high spending levels. Listening to Barack Obama promise ‘spending restraint’ is about as believable as listening to Charlie Sheen promise he’ll give up substance abuse.

“It’s time to separate the true fiscal conservatives from the faux,” said Pascoe. “The Jordan Amendment is the acid test.”

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